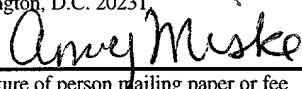


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### PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Sir:

Please enter the following Preliminary Amendment for the above-entitled patent application. Please charge any fees due or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 23-3030, but not to include issue fees.

### IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please add the following immediately after the title:

--this Invention was made with government support under Grant Numbers HL-45453 and HL-61631 awarded by the National Institutes of Health. The government has certain rights in the invention.--

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Please amend the first paragraph on page 1 of the Patent Application under the heading "REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATION" to read as follows:

--The present application is a continuation of International Patent Application No. PCT/US00/23161 filed August 23, 2000 designating the United States and published in English, which claims the benefit of U.S. Provisional Patent Application, Serial No. 60/150,266, filed August 23, 1999, each of which is hereby incorporated by reference in its entirety.--

**IN THE CLAIMS:**

Please amend the claims as follows.

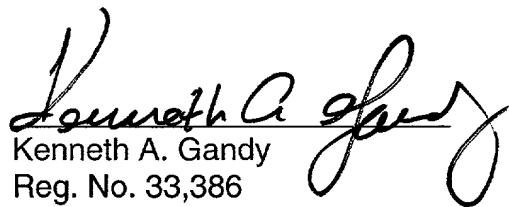
4. (Amended) The method of [claims 1-3] claim 1, wherein the cell is a mammalian cell.
10. (Amended) The method of [claim 1 or 9], claim 1, also comprising modifying the level of E1A protein in the cell.
20. (Amended) A composition comprising an isolated p193 protein of [claim 18 or 19] claim 18, and a carrier.

**REMARKS**

The present Application is a continuation of International Patent Application No. PCT/US00/23161 filed August 23, 2000 and claims the benefit of U.S. Provisional Application No. 60/150,266, filed August 23, 1999. Entry of the above amendments to reflect this parentage is requested and to include a government rights clause is requested. No new subject matter is introduced by this amendment.

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